

COMMON COUNCIL  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2005

- I. Mayor Fred Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.
  - A. Opening Prayer was given by Clerk-Treasurer, Brenda Sullivan.
  - B. Pledge – Mayor Fred Armstrong led the Pledge of Allegiance.
  - C. Roll Call: Present: Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, Robert Kittle, Martha Myers, August Tindell – Absent – Craig Hawes.
  - D. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting: Martha Myers moved to approve the minutes from the last regularly scheduled meeting of August 16, 2005. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
  - E. Two Boy Scouts in the audience introduced themselves and told why they were at the Council meeting.
- II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action
  - A. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 20, 2005, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 22, 2004, ENTITLED “THE 2005 SALARY ORDINANCE.” Brenda Sullivan, City Clerk-Treasurer reminded the Council this was the Ordinance the Council had requested at the time of the city budget hearing back in August. Martha Myers made a motion to approve the Ordinance. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
  - B. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 21, 2005, ORDINANCE FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES FOR 2006.” Brenda Sullivan reported this was the City of Columbus budget for 2006. She stated the City was still waiting on assessed valuation numbers from the Bartholomew County Auditor’s Office making the 2006 budget a work in progress. Discussion followed. Ann DeVore moved to approve the Ordinance. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
  - C. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE 22, 2005, THE 2006 SALARY ORDINANCE.” Brenda Sullivan informed the Council this was the 2006 Salary Ordinance for the City of Columbus employees. The Salary Ordinance included a 3% increase in wages for all employees and an increase of three (3) additional police officers. Discussion followed regarding the Sanitation pay as it pertained to “Operator” verses “Driver”. George Dutro made a motion to amend the 2006 Salary Ordinance excluding the “Operator” position and increasing the “Driver” to eight (8) positions. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0. Martha Myers made a motion to approve the Amended Salary Ordinance for 2006. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

### III. New Business Requiring Council Action

- A. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 31, 2005, RESOLUTION TO INCUR INDEBTEDNESS.” Brenda Sullivan indicated this was also the public hearing on this Resolution. This Resolution was the first step in procuring approval from the State Tax Control Board for the Public Works projects for 2006. Discussion followed. August Tindell moved to approve the Resolution. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- B. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 32, 2005, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A FISCAL PLAN FOR PROPERTY TO BE ANNEXED TO THE CITY OF COLUMBUS.” Jeff Bergman, Director of the Planning Department, presented this Resolution. He stated this Resolution pertained to the Kamman Property Annexation and the Fiscal Plan is required by Indiana annexation law. He summarized how the subject property meets the requirement of annexation. The Annexation Fiscal Plan also provides basic data regarding the area and describes the manner in which the City of Columbus services will be extended to the subject property upon annexation. Discussion followed. Ann DeVore made a motion to approve the Resolution. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- C. First reading of an Ordinance entitled ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_, 2005 AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING AND DECLARING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO BE A PART OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, “ (Kamman Property Annexation) Jeff Bergman indicated this was the public hearing and first reading for this annexation. Discussion followed. Jesse Brand made a motion to place in proper channels. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- D. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 33, 2005, RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT FROM THE INDIANA CRIMINAL JUSTICE INSTITUTE OF THE STATE OF INDIANA TO SUPPORT DIRECT SERVICES TO THE COLUMBUS REGIONAL SHELTER FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS d/b/a TURNING POINT.” Jim Clouse, Special Projects Director for Community Development, stated this was an ongoing grant and the Resolution was necessary to allow Turning Point to receive their funds from the State of Indiana. Martha Myers made a motion to approve the Resolution. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- E. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 34, 2005, A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, THE CLERK-TREASURER AND THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO-TEM TO REDUCE CITY APPROPRIATIONS IN THE 2006 BUDGET AS NECESSARY.” Brenda Sullivan, Clerk-Treasurer, reported this Resolution had been presented in prior years and was designed to cut the budget appropriately once the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance gave the City the amount of property tax to be collected for 2006. Discussion followed. August Tindell made a motion to approve the Resolution. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

- F. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 35, 2005, RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 1, 2002 AND THE CITY OF COLUMBUS FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES.” Brenda Sullivan asked the Council to amend the Resolution No. 1, 2002 to include all banks in the County of Bartholomew that are on the approved Indiana State Depository List for use by the City of Columbus. She stated several new approved financial institutions had located in Columbus as well as some financial institutions leaving making it necessary to adjust the approved list by the Council. Discussion followed. Martha Myers made a motion to approve the Resolution. August Tindell seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- G. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 36, 2005, RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF COLUMBUS GOVERNMENT CAPITAL ASSET POLICY.” Brenda Sullivan informed the Council the City had completed GASB 34. She stated it was necessary to approve the policy as it relates to capital assets. She reported the policy numbers had been approved by the State Board of Accounts. Discussion followed. Ann DeVore moved to approve the Resolution. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

IV. Other Business

- A. Standing Committee and Liaison Report.
- B. Next regularly scheduled meeting is September 20, 2005 at 7 o'clock P.M.
- C. Adjournment – Martha Myers moved to adjourn the meeting. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:55 o'clock P.M.

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Presiding Officer of the Common Council

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Columbus City Clerk Treasurer